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ATTN: A/SY/I/PVB

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: ASEC, MX
SUBJ: CONFLICT OF INTEREST , NASSAU

REF: A) STATE 134207; B) SPEAR/DANDRIGE TELCON 6/9/75

1. MY RECOLLECTION OF THIS MATTER IS NOWHERE AS DETAILED AS THE EMPLOYEE'S SWORN STATEMENTS, BUT I DO RECALL THE FOLLOWING.
2. ON BEING ADVISED (I BELIEVE BY MR. THOMAS WILSON, HIS DIRECT SUPERVISOR) THAT THE EMPLOYEE PROPOSED PURCHASING A PROPERTY IN NASSAU, I INSTRUCTED THAT HE SHOULD BE TOLD TO CHECK THE REGULATIONS TO BE SURE THAT IT WAS A PERMISSIBLE TRANSACTION (SECTION 136 CHAPTER 100 OF THE STANDARDIZED REGULATIONS PERMITS PAYING HOUSING ALLOWANCES FOR THE COST OF PURCHASED RESIDENCES) AND NOT A BUSINESS TRANSACTION PROHIBITED IN THE COUNTRY OF ASSIGNMENT (3FAM 620-10.735-206). I ALSO RECALL BEING TOLD ABOUT THE SAME TIME THAT HE WAS MAKING THE PURCHASE ON BEHALF OF HIS UNCLE.
3. IF THE EMPLOYEE INTERPRETED THIS AS VERBAL AUTHORIZATION, IT COULD HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED THAT, BUT IT WAS CERTAINLY A QUALIFIED APPROVAL.
4. I HAVE NO RECOLLECTION OF EVER HAVING APPROVED TRANSFORMING THE BUILDING FROM A LARGE DWELLING INTO A MULTI-UNIT APARTMENT. I AM QUITE SURE I HAD NO IDEA THAT THIS WAS WHAT THE EMPLOYEE WAS

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DOING AND AM ASTONISHED TO LEARN OF THE MAGNITUDE AND VALUE OF

THIS PROJECT.

5. I AM VERY SURE THAT I NEVER AUTHORIZED THE EMPLOYEE TO HANDLE HIS OWN CUSTOMS CLEARANCES OF GOODS FOR USE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THIS BUILDING, NOR WOULD I HAVE DONE SO, AS THIS WOULD BE A CLEAR VIOLATION OF REGULATIONS.

6. FURTHER LEADS: I ASSUME YOU HAVE CONTACTED MR. RUSSELL. AS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER HE WOULD HAVE BEEN THE ONE THROUGH WHOM TO CHECK THE REGULATIONS, ETC. YOU MIGHT ALSO CONTACT MR. WILSON IN HAITI FOR HIS RECOLLECTION OF THIS MATTER. FINALLY, THE POST WAS INSPECTED IN JUNE 1973. I DON'T RECALL THIS MATTER WAS RAISED IN THE INSPECTORS' REPORTS, BUT IT MIGHT HAVE SOME LEADS.
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